

Stonewall

Stonewall, Dec. 9. The farmers were all so glad to see this cold weather, so they could kill hogs.

Clayton Drinkard, Jr. spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Drinkard.

Mrs. Anna Lee is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Stratton near Concord.

Rev. D. M. Spence preached a fine sermon at Bethel Church Sunday A. M. He and Mrs. Spence and daughter, Louise, were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Wash Wheeler, of Rustburg spent last Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Tilton Lee and her family.

Quite a number have tobacco on the Lynchburg market for the opening day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick had as their guests on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jennings, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Board and son, Lawrence, of Appomattox, and Mrs. Clyde Carran.

Miss Lee Carter, of S. F. C. Farmville spent the weekend at her home here.

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THE OLD JUDGE SAYS



HERB: "I'll be glad to come to the meeting. I always figured alcoholism was something for the doctors to treat and not the police."

OLD JUDGE: "More and more people are beginning to realize that, Herb. Fortunately only about 1 1/2 per cent of the people who use alcoholic beverages are problem drinkers, but they deserve the same professional treatment as any other sick person."

HERB: "I had the idea there were more than that."

OLD JUDGE: "No. That's the generally accepted figure. Scientists at one of the big universities have been studying alcoholism for a long time, and they estimate that 95 per cent of the people who use alcoholic beverages are temperate and self-disciplined drinkers. Among the other 5 per cent who occasionally are not, about one-fourth are what they call compulsive or problem drinkers."

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Hunting the Wren In Old Ireland

Once upon a time in Ireland, the wren was hunted and killed on Christmas morning; a branch of holly and bright ribbons were attached to his body which was carried from house to house by wren boys who sang songs and expected to receive a dole from each household.

The story goes that during the Danish-Irish war, the Danes were resting after an arduous march and the Irish were creeping up quietly. All of a sudden a wren, spying a few crumbs which the drowsy Danish drummer had dropped on the drumhead, swooped down and began to peck at the crumbs. The pecking awakened the boy, who aroused the camp; the Irish, driven off and defeated, blamed the wren. Modern Irish, ashamed of the once-honored tradition, say the guilty bird may have been a starling or a sparrow anyway, and now welcome the wren to their farms and homes.



To test your Christmas spirit and knowledge, the following questions are given. You should answer half of them in order to pass.

1. Who wrote "The Night Before Christmas"?

2. What story contains the following: "A miserly old man?"

3. Where is the town of "White Christmas"?

4. Who wrote "White Christmas"?

5. In what country was mistletoe first worn around the neck to prevent sickness?

6. What does the Saxon word "hael" or "be in health" mean?

7. An old Christmas superstition starts "A warm Christmas means..." How does it end?

8. Who is Quetzalcoatl?

9. What plant, a more one, traditionally blooms only at Christmas time?

10. Until her death what song did Nina Schumann-Heink always sing on Christmas Eve?

11. What is the literal meaning of "Christmas"?

12. Where are the remains of Good St. Nicholas of Myra buried?

Answers

1. Dr. Clement C. Moore.

2. Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

3. In Indian country, south-west of Iowa.

4. Lewis Carroll.

5. Sweden.

6. Wassail bowl.

7. A cold Easter.

8. The Aztec Indian god, half bird, half snake, who took the place of Santa Claus in Mexico in 1800.

9. Christmas cactus.

10. Silent Night.

11. Mass of Christ.

12. The remains were stolen in 1087 by merchants and re-interred at Bari.

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This involves issues that should be discussed and settled now—rivers to cross in advance.

Many of us in the power business have had a long experience with river-side plants, in the production of both steam-generated and hydro-electric power. In fairness to all taxpayers and in the interest of the many million users of electricity, we therefore outline our convictions and suggestions on river development and flood control.

1 When a dam is proposed, all of its purposes should be clearly defined in the legislation—flood control, navigation, irrigation or power. And just as clearly, the benefit to the people affected should justify the cost.

2 If power is produced at government-built dams, it should be sold to existing power systems, without special privilege or discrimination. This will save the expensive duplication of transmission facilities.

3 Any savings made possible by this plan should be passed along to the users of electricity, under regulation by State Commissions or other properly constituted regulatory bodies. This will assure all the benefits of river development and hydro-power without the added expense of government going into business and competing with its own citizens.

4 Government in any business endangers all business. Government in business escapes many normal business obligations, enjoys free money, pays no federal taxes and few, if any, other taxes, little or no income tax. Government can sell electricity on this basis, it can sell stock in power companies, or anything else the same way. Government may properly regulate business in the public interest but should not operate business. It should not play in the game for which it makes the rules. In other words, government should not try to be referee and quarterback at the same time!

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Lyons First Born Welcomed Warmly

"... But the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head."—St. Matthew 8:20.

At Foundling hospital in Lyons, France, the first infant received on Christmas Day is luxuriously welcomed with great ceremony; the tradition contrasting the lot of the infant Saviour and that of one of his most helpless little ones.

The use of church bells is said to have been inaugurated during the fifth century by Bishop Pothinus of Nola, in Campania.

Although the derivation is doubted by some authorities, it appears that the Latin word for bell—campanula—was derived from the bishop's town, Nola, and district, Campania.

Nola Birthplace Of Church Bells

When the Infant Jesus Selected His Playmate

According to various legends, the Holy Family travels about on Christmas Eve. Long ago in England—back babies were carried to the threshold at midnight. If the child recovered, it had been healed by the passing Christ; if the baby died, the Holy Child had chosen the infant to be His playmate in heaven.

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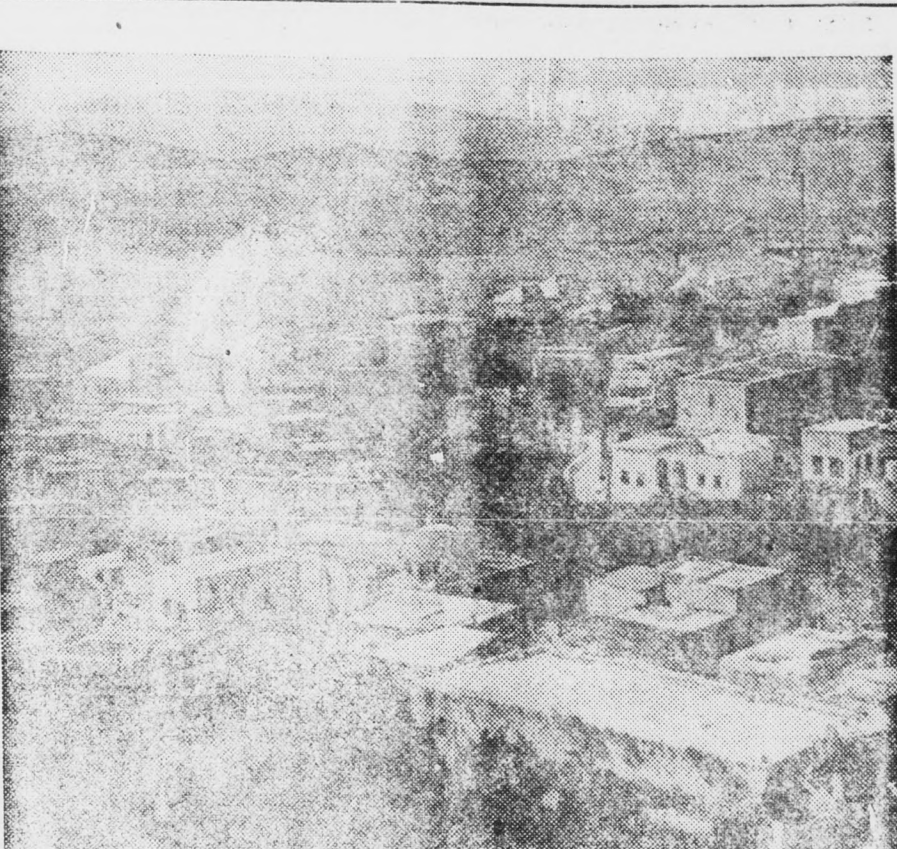
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WHERE THE BOY JESUS PLAYED... Looking southeast from the Hill of Precipitation, Nazareth, is shown the view where the boy Jesus played.

Mince Pies of Deep

Christmas Tradition

No Christmas dinner would be complete without mince pies. While they have long been a part of our Christmas tradition, they originally had a deep symbolic significance.

Patterned after the manger in which Christ was born, they were oblong in shape. The crust, baked a golden brown, represented the gold brought by the Three Wise Men.

Insurance of Marriage

Crippen tells us that the maiden who receives no kisses under the mistletoe will not marry for years.

Name of Jesus Found

Carved in Palestine

Urns recently discovered in a cave on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road, believed to be the oldest archaeological record of Christianity, dating back to 70 A. D., contained the name of Jesus carved on them.

It is believed that the carving was made by an eyewitness to the crucifixion. They were found on 11 early Christian burial urns.

A sect of Hebrews, who followed Jesus, denounced Pontius Pilate, and mourned the crucifixion of their leader was believed to have left the writing on the ossuaries in the cave.

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Approximately three quarters of the veterans drawing disability compensation from the Veterans Administration are World War II cases. The remainder are from previous wars and peacetime service.

The history of pensions or other aids for disabled war veterans or their dependents dates back to A. D. 6, the time of Augustus, the first Roman Emperor, according to Veterans Administration.

Chaplains of the Veterans Administration conduct in VA hospitals and homes throughout the country an average of more than one marriage per day of veteran-patients.

Veterans Administration is accumulating musical instruments from War Assets Administration for the use of patients in VA hospitals and homes.

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